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### "CHINA MAIL" CENSUS COMPETITION.

A census of the population of Hongkong  
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that our readers may test their skill in  
estimating the growth of the population  
since the last census—the China Mail is  
promoting a competition under three heads,  
asking its subscribers to predict the sum-  
mary of—(1) The total civil population; (2)  
Chinese population; (3) European and  
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HONGKONG.

I predict that the total civil population  
of the Colony on May 20th, 1911, will be .....

Name .....

Address .....

N.B.—The last complete census of the  
Colony was taken in 1901, when the total  
civil population was officially returned at  
233,000. In 1901 a separate census was  
taken, being confined to the original Colony  
of Hongkong and that part of the New  
Territory which lies south of the Kowloon  
range of hills. This partial census showed  
a total civil population of 219,803, but it  
should be pointed out that the portion of  
the New Territory not included in this  
census possessed a population of 85,011 in  
1901.

No. 2.—TOTAL CHINESE POPULATION OF  
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tion of the Colony on May 20th, 1911, will be .....

Name .....

Address .....

N.B.—In November, 1908, a partial  
census was taken, this being confined to the  
original Colony of Hongkong and that part  
of the New Territory which lies south of  
the Kowloon range of hills. This partial  
census gave the total Chinese popula-  
tion (land and floating) as 207,388, but it  
should be borne in mind that the portion  
of the New Territory not included in the  
census possessed a population of 85,011 in  
1901, the year when the last full  
census was taken. The total Chinese popu-  
lation for the whole Colony in 1901 was  
274,545.

No. 3.—TOTAL EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN  
POPULATION OF HONGKONG.

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Name .....

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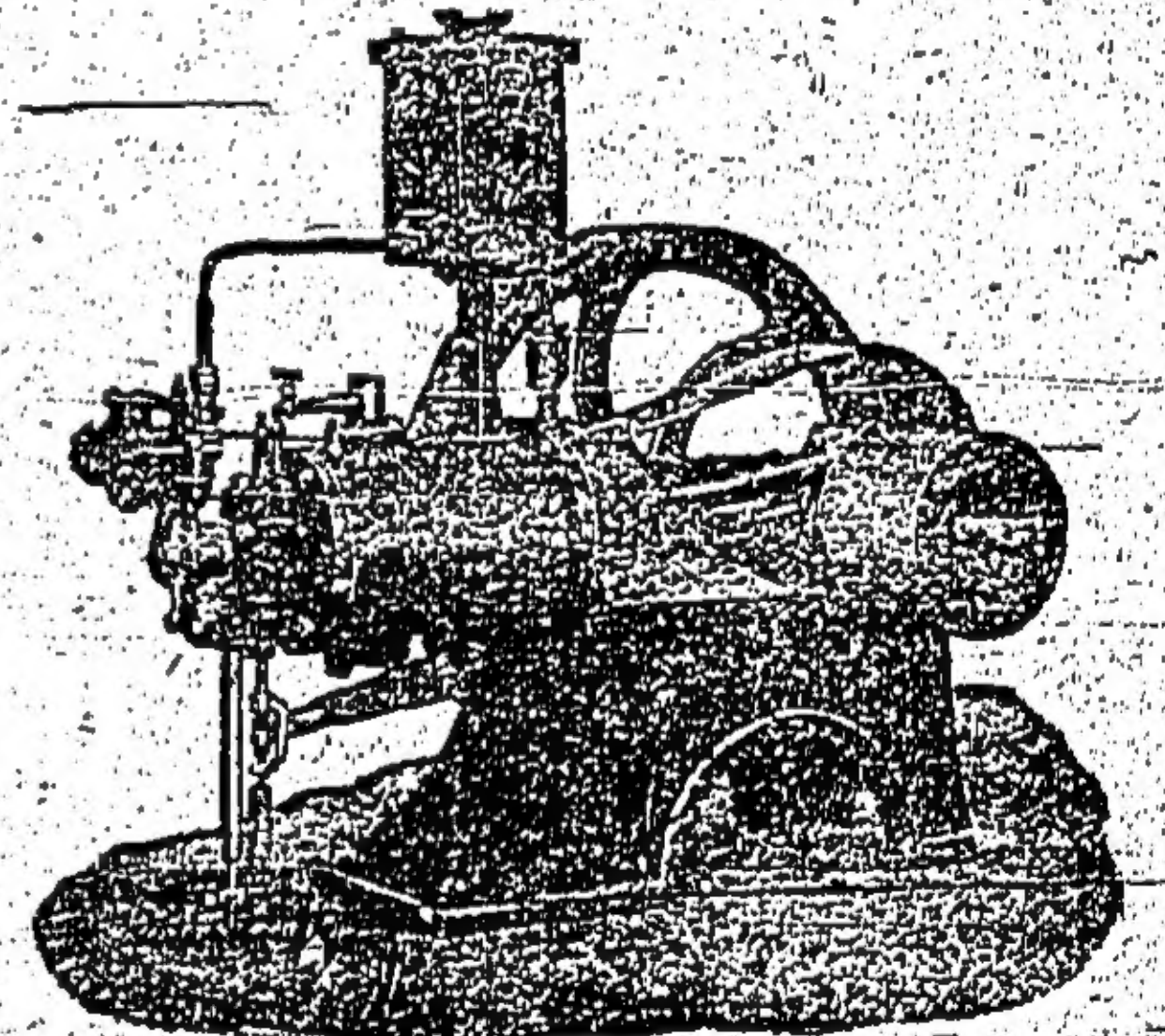
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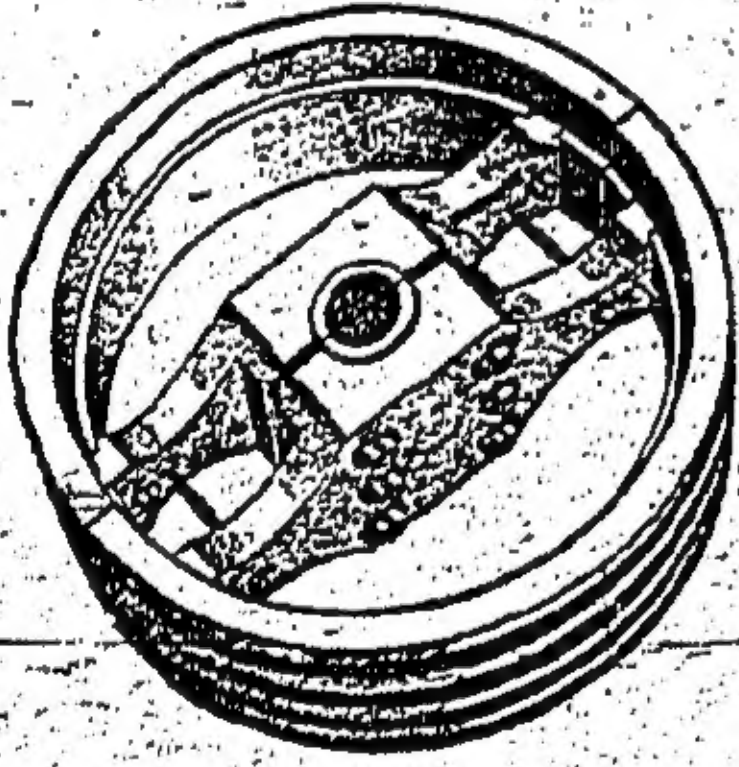
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## MINING IN YUNNAN.

It has been reported recently that copper-mining in the province of Yunnan is being interfered with, if not stopped, by the restrictions which official regulations place in the way of free action. A certain amount of the proceeds must be forwarded to Peking, in any case. But the way in which things are done make it almost impossible for anything like free activity to be shown in mining for copper. It appears that the Governor has been thinking about the question, and as yet the further development of the copper mines will be a great boon for the people of this province. He has suggested therefore that more free mining should be allowed, and that any company which so desires should be allowed to open and work the mines, that facilities be allowed for smelting copper ore, and that the workers be allowed untrammelled movements provided they pay a small royalty to the Government. It remains to be seen what response will be given in the official reply. The same document deals with coal-mining in the province. Some time ago, at Utsik, in the O-mat district, mining for coal was introduced. At first foreigners desired to work the coal mines, but ultimately the Chinese themselves formed a company and started work. But they made the initial mistake of employing men who did not understand their duties, and after a time the capital of the company was nearly expended; and there seemed no escape from collapse. Indeed, it was thought that it would be for the best to allow the mines to be worked by foreigners after all. Now it appears that since the railway has been opened the expense of getting coal is less; moreover some good seams have been found. Then tin smelting has also come into existence. These things working together have given hopes to the company and it is believed that it will be a success and economy practised, things will turn out right after all. The company seems delighted that for the present they have escaped foreign assistance, and official interference.

## NEW RUSSIAN MINISTER OF MARINE.

Admiral Grijarovich at Port Arthur.

It is an interesting fact, taking into consideration the interest in Manchuria and the North generally, and the negotiations which have of late been occupying the minds of the rulers of Russia and China, that Admiral Grijarovich, who has just been appointed Minister of Marine for Russia, was the man chosen to replace Admiral Grové, Commander of the Port Arthur admiralty at the commencement of the Russo-Japanese War. The present Minister was then, April, 1904, only a Vice-Admiral. About the time of the loss of the Petropavlovsk and the death of Admiral Makarov, Admiral Grové was asked to resign (we believe this is correct, in any case he lost his Command and has since left the Navy, joining the Consular Service; he is at present Russian Consul in Nicosia). Vice-Admiral Grijarovich was appointed in his stead and was in Naval Command of Port Arthur throughout the siege. He returned to Russia via Shanghai, where he and his private secretary stayed some months at the Hotel de Colonies writing up from voluminous notes, his account of the siege. In this he was assisted by various literary men, notably Colonel Artemiev (a naval title) who was editor of the *Norie Krut* (new country or extremity) which was published in Port Arthur right through the siege. Colonel Artemiev after spending some time in St. Petersburg, returned to the East and is now in Vladivostok holding the position of judge and the title of General. Admiral Grijarovich has been in favourable view for some time. In April last year he was still in St. Petersburg having been promoted to the rank of full Admiral and occupying the position of "Tavrichesk Morskoi Minister" i.e. the commander, or adviser, of the minister of Marine. Even then his further promotion to the Ministry was generally expected. Evidently he also had thoughts and possibly hopes in that direction for on being congratulated by an old Port Arthur acquaintance on his promotion he said with a smile: "But I am not yet Minister of Marine." That remark would not now apply and probably there are few Russian Naval Officers more capable of filling the position he now holds. He, also, should anything go wrong in the Far East, have had the experience which would equally qualify them to give advice on matters connected with the Naval affairs of Russia in the China Seas.

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(1) That Article No. 80 of the Articles of Association of the Company, which now reads:—

"As remuneration for their services the general managers shall retain or be paid out of the funds of the company a salary at the rate of seven thousand two hundred dollars per annum; and a commission of five per cent on the net profits of the company in every year in which the net profits shall amount to seven per cent of the capital of the company be amended by eliminating therefrom the words 'the net profits' shall be struck out and that in lieu thereof the following Article be inserted:—

"Article No. 82

"Each member of the consulting committee not being a member of the general managers' firm shall be paid out of the funds of the company by way of remuneration two thousand five hundred dollars for each year that the net profits amount to seven per cent of the capital of the Company and such remuneration shall be divided among them in such proportion and manner as the consulting committee may determine and in default equally.

be struck out and that in lieu thereof the following Article be inserted:—

"Article No. 83

"Each member of the consulting committee not being a member of the general managers' firm shall be paid out of the funds of the company by way of remuneration for his services the sum of five hundred dollars per annum.

(3) That Article No. 104 of the Articles of Association be struck out and that in lieu thereof the following Article be inserted:—

"Article No. 104

"All dividends unclaimed for one year after having been declared may be invested or otherwise made use of by the general managers for the benefit of the company. This clause shall not be deemed to constitute a trust of unclaimed dividends and no dividends shall bear interest against the company and a dividend shall not be deemed a specialty.

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GOOD-FRIDAY.

Some two years or so ago the Hon. Mr. E. OSBORNE drew attention to this factor in our summer life when a discussion cropped up as to what things Hongkong really urgently required in order to improve the amenities and necessities of local existence. He argued that we should not waste our substance in luxurious schemes of ornamental public works but should concentrate our energies on such useful things as the provision of better roadways, the roofing over of the filter beds, etc., but above all we should make some provision for securing while there is yet time at the east and west ends of the city suitable bathing beaches and thus place at the disposal of our poorer brethren facilities at the moment denied them. With the gradual spreading of the town limits the time will soon come when the present stretches of firm, sandy foreshore which Mr. OSBORNE had in mind will be encroached upon, and so another opportunity will be irrevocably lost. In this matter of bathing beaches Hongkong has been negligent, not to say criminally careless. Who is there that does not regret the total extinction of all facilities in Hingham bays over on the 1.500 foot side of the harbour? Years ago where is now a Playa wall running down into deep water there used to be opposite Bay View and right along for a considerable distance a splendid bathing beach which gave unlimited and much enjoyed facilities for all the dwellers in the vicinity. The railway of course has swallowed the beach—and given no compensation in exchange.

The same tale will be told, we fear, in the years to come regarding the beaches on the island of Hongkong at present within easy reach of residents by means of the trams. They too will be gradually absorbed and nothing given in exchange. Surely considering the great and growing needs of the community some effort should be made to secure the facilities we now plead for. It would not take much money to clear and prepare the beaches for bathing and to erect suitable accommodation of a tough but acceptable kind in the way of dressing shelters. A little money spent in this direction would be well applied, for apart from the fact that cleanliness is next to godliness, the boon conferred on large numbers of our residents would be immense.

DEATH.  
THOMPSON.—At Canton, on Sunday, April 9th, DANIEL EVERETT THOMPSON, dearly beloved son of George and Margaret Thompson, of Yeung Kong, South China; aged 11 months and 6 days.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.  
9 a.m.—Performance of Band in Open Co. at Theatre Royal.

General Memoranda.  
FRIDAY, April 14.—  
Good Friday.  
Exchange Banks close.  
9.15 p.m.—Handel's "Messiah" at St. John's Cathedral.

SATURDAY, April 15.—  
Public Holiday.  
3.30 p.m.—H.K. Gymkhana Club's First Gymkhana.  
H.K. A.A. A. Broke Cross-country Challenge Cup Race.

SUNDAY, April 16.—  
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.

MONDAY, April 17.—  
Easter Monday—Bank Holiday.  
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao.  
10 a.m.—H.K.V.C. Rifle Meeting.  
1 p.m.—Lancashire Club Athletic Sports.

TUESDAY, April 18.—  
Criminal Sessions commence.  
3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land at Public Works Department.

WEDNESDAY, April 19.—  
11.30 a.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.

THURSDAY, April 20.—  
12.30 p.m.—Hongkong Jockey Club Half-Yearly Meeting.  
Chinese Y.M.C.A. Annual Sports.  
7.45 p.m.—Volunteer Corps Dinner and Prize Giving at Headquarters.

FRIDAY, April 21.—  
12.30 p.m.—H.K. Schools' Athletic Sports.

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3.45 p.m.—Sanitary Board Meeting.

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12.30 p.m.—China Traders' Ince. Co. Meeting.

FRIDAY, April 21.—  
Stockbrokers Association's Settling Day for April.

SATURDAY, April 22.—  
Coronation Contingent departs.  
11 a.m.—Entries close for Lawn Bowls Open Singles Championship.

NEWS OF THE DAY.  
Fifteen hundred English outposts spent the night of April 2nd at the Aldwych Skating Rink to evade the census.

The Dublin Corporation has rejected by 42 votes to 9 a resolution to present a loyal address on the occasion of the King's visit.

Lord Lansdowne's famous picture of "The Mill," by Rembrandt, has been lost to England owing to the lapse of the time limit fixed for the nation to buy the work for £100,000. The picture has been secured by a foreign buyer whose name has not been divulged, presumably a wealthy American.

The German Chancellor's refusal to consider an agreement for a restriction of armaments and international arbitration has disappointed the enthusiasts who have been rejoicing over President Taft's and Sir Edward Grey's efforts to conclude arbitration treaties between the Great Powers. The French papers are equally disappointed. The *Figaro* says Germany regards universal peace as a dream. The *Echo de Paris* says the German Chancellor's speech has dispelled like a mist the dreams of certain Englishmen.

According to the *Times*, King George IV. has decided to wear at his Coronation the Imperial mantle worn by King George IV. It was formerly the custom to prevent the Coronation robe, after the ceremony, to the Lord Great Chamberlain for the time being, and in this way the robe of George IV. passed into private hands. The present owner has, however, offered it to His Majesty who has graciously signified his acceptance of the gift. The robe is said to be in a perfect state of preservation, having apparently been kept in cedar wood. It is of the finest cloth of gold, and is decorated with an admirable example of the goldsmith's art. Woven into its surface are the badges of England, Scotland and Ireland, and in the opinion of good judges it presents a more striking appearance than the robe worn for King Edward, upon which the hedges were embroidered by hand.

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## SOCIETY AND PERSONAL.

The Rev. G. H. Bondfield was a passenger by the *Mishima Maru* which arrived from Home to-day.

On enquiry at the Peak Hospital this afternoon we were glad to learn that the condition of Mr Murray Stewart was much better.

Police Constable G. A. Attewell signed on to-day, before Mr E. R. H. Haffar, at the Magistracy, for a further period of five years. Mr Attewell leaves for a vacation in England on Saturday.

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## SANITARY BOARD.

Mr E. W. C. Wolfe presided over a meeting of the Sanitary Board on Tuesday afternoon when those who were also present were: Mr W. Chatham, Hon. Mr E. A. Hewitt, Dr. Fitzwilliams, Colonel Bedford, Mr Lau Chu Pak, Mr Ng Hon Tai, Hon. Mr A. W. Brown, Mr A. Shelton Hooper, Dr. J. W. Bartley, Assistant Medical Officer of Health, and the secretary, Mr W. Bowen-Rowlands.

THE TRAINING OF NULLAHS.  
Considerable discussion arose on the correspondence relative to a nullah near "Ubuk" in May Road.

Hon. Mr A. W. Brown—As regards the nullah in question I should be very glad to find the Board voting in favour of a resolution asking the Government to have it trained at once. That would confirm me in the opinion I already hold of the unbusiness-like way in which the Board does make recommendations about nullah training.

Mr Hooper—Oh no.

Hon. Mr Brown—I simply brought this forth and so that the Board might have a concrete instance of what I have already said before, that they recommend isolated cases of nullah training without any regard to the fact that the training of other nullahs might be equally necessary. We dealt with the nullah at Shaukiwan, as if the rest of the Colony was uninhabited and as if there was not another nullah in the Colony which required training. The only reason why I brought this matter forward is to emphasize my opinion that if the Board makes recommendations regarding nullah training it should do so with regard to some plan of engineering works, and when the sanitary advisers of the Colony deem it necessary in order to reduce malaria.

Hon. Mr Chatham—I would like to correct a statement made by the member who has just spoken. I think he said the Shaukiwan nullah had been taken in hand as though the rest of the Colony were free of population. That is not the case.

Hon. Mr Brown—As far as the Board is concerned.

Hon. Mr Chatham—I don't think that either is correct, because on previous occasions there have been, before the Board proposals with regard to the training of nullahs in other parts of the Colony, and these proposals were noted for consideration whenever a suitable opportunity occurs. As a matter of fact, nullah training work is in progress in the vicinity of Magazine Gap, on this side, in consequence of a petition presented to the Government by the inhabitants of that district pointing out that malaria was very prevalent. Nullah training is also in progress to the south of Magazine Gap, and there is further training recommended by the Board on a previous occasion at Pokfulam, village which also is being carried out.

Dr. Fitzwilliams—Would it not be possible to take the recommendations for nullah training out of individual hands altogether and have a system drawn up of all the nullahs in the Colony and if possible the amount of damage they do. It means the expenditure of a considerable sum of money but this question is always coming up and we are always being told that there are no funds. Funds sooner or later will have to be provided, and it is more expensive to do the work patchwork and piecemeal than it is to do it altogether. The small annual sum will never be expended sufficiently. We want a special vote, and as this is a Coronation year, and as funds are going to be forthcoming for some memorial, the Head of the Sanitary Board will presumably keep his eye on this if not his hands. This will be a better memorial to improve the health of the Colony than it is to build a statue in Statue Square or the base of a clock tower.

Mr Shelton Hooper—I think we all agree with Dr. Fitzwilliams in principle, but the initial expense of his suggestion would be more than will be collected in this Colony for a permanent memorial of the Coronation. We cannot go about the Colony asking for nullahs that want training. It is a more businesslike way, but a very expensive thing to do.

The paper was laid on the table.

## THE STENCH AT PRAYA EAST.

In connection with the application from the Royal Naval Cantonment for permission to erect twenty-four water closets, the President said that the sewer had its outlet at Ship Street and unless the sewer was enlarged he did not think it was a place in which sewage should be allowed to discharge into the harbour. If any of the members had been present with him on several occasions recently, they would be of the same opinion, also for there was an abominable stench there.

Dr. Clark said the Board should recommend the Government to further dredge the harbour in that vicinity. He suggested that the application be recommended but only on condition that that part of the harbour was dredged.

Hon. Mr Hewitt said he thought it would be a big undertaking. He believed the Government contemplated reclaiming that part of the harbour.

The President suggested that the sewer outlet be extended further into the harbour and he did not think it would be very costly.

Hon. Mr Chatham said that it would be expensive as such an extension would render the sewer liable to damage by the anchors of the larger sailing junks. He moved that the application be refused.

Dr. Fitzwilliams seconded.

Mr Shelton Hooper moved an amendment that the Board recommend the Government-in-Council to approve of this application and at the same time point out that it would be advisable to improve the outlet of the existing sewer.

Colonel Bedford, in seconding said he thought they ought to deal with the

question from a common-sense point of view. The naval cantonment was a large establishment, where they had some four hundred Europeans and the Board had sanctioned the principle of water flushing. The amendment was carried.

## ANOTHER CORONATION STATION.

With regard to the application for permission to erect a rough closet in the interior of Messrs A. S. Watson and Co.'s new erected water factory on Marine Lot 297, the President said that the Medical Officer of Health recommended the application on subject to the provision of an independent water supply.

"Is not this in the neighbourhood of the beach where we are going to have a coronation bathing place," asked the Hon. Mr Brown amidst laughter.

"There is quite a distance intervening between this place and any shore," replied the Hon. Mr W. Chatham.

It was decided to recommend the application.

## A HEADSTONE DENEGATED.

When the list of legal proceedings taken by the Department for breaches of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance during March was being considered the President said that he quite agreed that the fine of \$3 imposed for dumping rubbish was a very small one, and even if it was the equivalent of twenty-four shillings it did not seem to have the desired effect. If he could take members down some of the streets he thought they would agree with him that those offenders were getting off very lightly. The difficulty was that in most cases they were of the class of persons who were not likely to be much affected. In spite of the notices published in English and Chinese they still dumped rubbish into the street. On some occasions it simply rained rubbish and if a person was going along some of the lanes it was ten to one that he would get a bit of orange peel or something else on his hand.

Mr Shelton Hooper—I don't know if I am quite in order, but I would like to ask you, sir, whether you have been able to find out anything about the notorious larceny at the Colonial Cemetery, and what steps have been taken to prevent its recurrence. I think a little publicity should be given to the fact.

The President—It is rather stretching a point, but if members have no objection the matter might be mentioned now.

Mr Shelton Hooper—There is a monument in our cemetery put up by the relatives of an old resident at a cost of nearly £800. It is a huge Aberdeen granite slab with bronze feet and epaulettes, and after 20 years those feet and epaulettes have been removed, apparently in the night. I am given to understand that the police have looked into the matter and have not been able to find anything. I think public attention should be called to the fact, and if we have not sufficient staff there to protect our monuments we might have an extra watchman.

The President—So far as I am aware it was at the end of February and apparently during the night that this robbery took place, and it was reported next morning that the monument was damaged. The matter was sent forward by me to the police and they have informed me that they have been unable to trace either the offender or the bronze claws. The owner was communicated with and informed of the theft. I can find the setons in no way to blame, but I should be glad of any information from outside. There is a fairly high wall round the cemetery and one that would be difficult to scale at night. The heavy could have taken place without the setons being any the wiser. The gate is locked, and was locked on that night in the usual manner. There is no man on night duty there, and I think I am right in saying that there is not a man on night duty in any cemetery in the world.

The paper was laid on the table.

## ARMED ROBBERY IN THE NEW TERRITORY.

A married woman named Mrs Lai Kung, residing in a small village at Kam Tin in the New Territory, reports that about 10 p.m. on Monday night three men, one armed with a knife, entered her house and having ransacked the place got clear away with \$51.70 in money, clothing and articles.

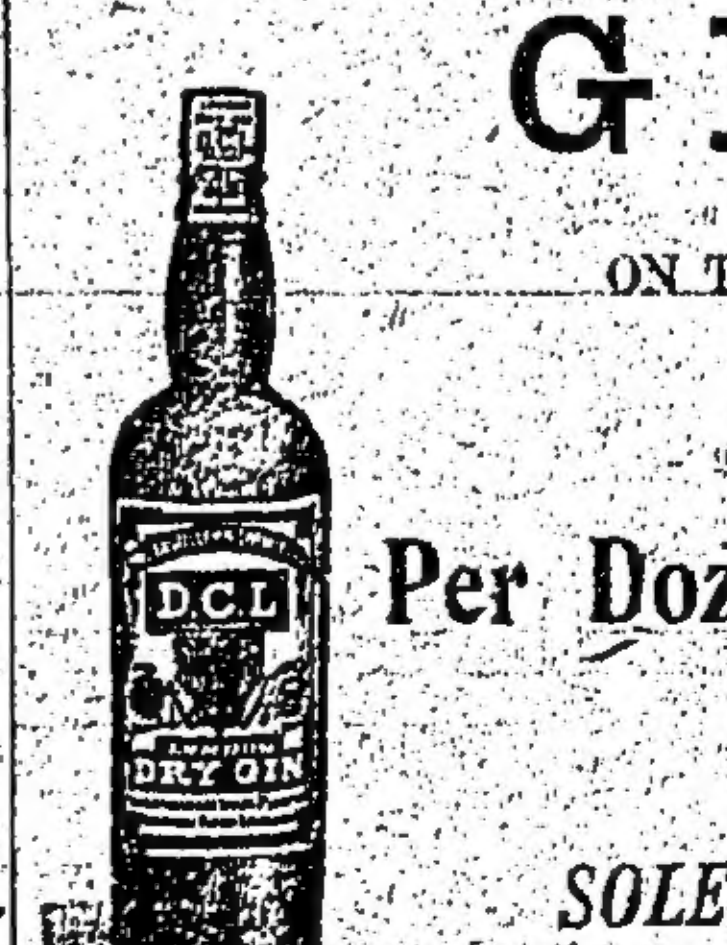
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## RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

### COMPANY TO DEVELOPE CLOSER RELATIONS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 12.

A St. Petersburg message states that the Minister for Commerce has submitted to the Cabinet a bill for the establishing in St. Petersburg of a Russo-Japanese Company for driving closer the relations between Russia and Japan both commercially and generally.

## THE RUSSIAN NAVY.

### DUMA'S ESTIMATE OVER-RIDDEN.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 11.

A message from St. Petersburg states that the Council of Empire has approved the Estimates for the Navy amounting to 110,000,000 roubles, which is 3,330,000 above the figure sanctioned by the Duma.

## THE ARABIAN WAR.

### BIG TURKISH LOSSES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 11.

It is reported from Perin that natives from the interior state that a force of 1,800 Turks has been annihilated by a stratagem.

Naderi was captured on the 30th ultimo, only fifteen escaping out of this regiment, who declare that the Turks now hold in the interior only Eluzig and Saman.

## CANTON ASSASSIN TO BE TRIED.

### VICEROY AS JUDGE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, April 11.

His Excellency Chan Ming Chi, Viceroy of Canton, in accordance with the instructions contained in an Imperial Edict, personally presided to-day at the trial of the assassin of the Tatar General.

RUSSIAN TROOPS AND CHINESE STORES.

(Wah-Tai Yai Po's Service.)

Peking, April 11.

His Excellency Sh. Leang, Viceroy of Manchuria, has wired that the Russian troops are being augmented and that they have been stationed at various important junctions. They are hindering the transportation of military stores for the Chinese soldiers.

## VICEROY ASKS FOR AMMUNITION.

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His Excellency Li Ching Hi, Viceroy of Yunnan, has wired to the Viceroy of Chili for a large quantity of ammunition.

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THE BUTCHERY COMPANY  
DISPUTE.

Before the Chief Justice (Sir F. Pigott) the case was continued to-day, in which John Tatum, owner of the King Edward Hotel, and Frederick Howell, chief bailiff at the Supreme Court, for an account of the receipts and disbursements in connection with the business of the Hongkong Butchery Company. Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., (instructed by Mr. J. H. Gaslin) was for plaintiff and Mr. Eldon Potter (instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Davis) for defendant.

Mr. A. R. Lowe again went into the box and was questioned by his Lordship. Do you object to my method?—You are quite wrong, sir, from the start. The only profit made was in October, the first month. There were no losses made in October.

What do you make it?—Separating the months I make the gross profit in October \$780.57, losses in November \$148.82, profit in December \$65.93, losses in January \$212.60.

How do you make that out?—I have all the dates taken from the book. If you add up those you find the two months losses to be \$711.44 and the profits \$882.50, which works out at a profit of \$171.06.

The February working account and the store account was to be charged entirely to January. In my figures I have not taken working expenses. These are the gross profits. The net profits for October would be about \$240, the working expenses that month being \$580, and the other months \$1,000 each.

Surely this is a sound way of arriving at a rough?—But I am taking it exact. What seems extraordinary is that the first month should show such a large profit, when there were fewer customers. A possible explanation is that they did not watch it, or they may have lost to fight for prices, or they may have lost in leakage.

Cross-examined by Mr. Slade: Have you checked the ledger accounts?—No, only the total.

Have you totalled them, I mean?—Do you mean what details of customers or the working account.

Have you taken from the ledger the total of the customers' indebtedness at the end of January?—I have not checked these. They have already been checked, and I have taken them out in another way, and the figures which the other accountant has arrived at come to almost the same as I assume his figures were correct.

Mr. Potter:—Are these checked?—Mr. Slade:—You have called at these figures a hundred times, and you have been told dozens of times how they were obtained.

Mr. Potter:—There is no necessity for my friend to address me in this way. It is impossible to say anything in this Court which my friend—

Mr. Slade:—You have been told. Mr. Potter:—Please say no more.

Mr. Slade:—There may be an error in taking them out, but until that is shown I think we may assume that they are correct. The total amount shown on the face of this ledger according to these figures as being owing at the end of January, 1896, is \$3,263.

Witness:—They collected \$3,000. Mr. Slade:—They collected more than is shown on the face of the ledger?—Probably some cash things.

But how can there be cash things after the business is closed?—Recoveries, or something of that kind.

How?—I cannot explain it without going through and checking the details.

The point is that from checking the ledger it became apparent that the ledger accounts and the receipts which purport to be for those ledger accounts do not tally, and that more is received at a time when the firm is not making any cash sales at all. Well, that is a very good fault.

Well, does not that show rather serious errors? Does not it show that they had, in fact, got customers whose accounts are recorded somewhere (not in these books)? It does not show that.

That is the inference, then?—Not necessarily.

His Lordship:—Do I take it that these are the figures which are taken out of the ledger?

Mr. Slade:—Yes, but of course there may be errors. We put them forward in the hope that they might have been checked.

His Lordship:—That can be done. Mr. Slade:—What I can't understand is that if this deficiency in fact exists how it is to be accounted for.

Witness:—My Lord, the total collections agree in the ledger within 800 or 870 with the total sales according to the books. Therefore the inference to me is that there is a mistake in taking out the balances. The whole amount of the sales has been accounted for by cash receipts.

Mr. Slade:—Whether they are marked off or not is out of the question. These are what are shown on the ledger to have been using on 31st of January.

His Lordship:—The point is important, and it had better be checked.

Mr. Slade:—Doubt has been thrown on the accuracy of these figures from the moment they were put in, and the astonishing thing is that they have not been checked.

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Good Friday the 14th and Monday the 17th instant, being public holidays, and Saturday the 15th instant, being a Government Holiday, the Post Office will be open as follows:—

On Good Friday from 8 till noon, on Saturday the 15th instant from 9 till noon and from 3 to 6 p.m.

On Easter Monday from 8 till 9 only. There will be one delivery and a collection of letters on each day.

A special collection will be made for the outgoing English Mail on Saturday. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays. In the event of the Canadian Mail arriving on Good Friday the office will be open one hour for the delivery thereof.

## ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For stealing a pair of gold screw links belonging to Lieut.-Colonel Medwood, a washerman was sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

Seven fishermen were fined \$1 each by Mr. E. R. Ballif at the Magistrate's court this morning, for failing to display the regulation lights. Six passengers on the s.s. Sang Cheong were fined altogether \$177 by Mr. J. K. Wood, for being in unlawful possession of opium. The same magistrate sent a man to prison for two weeks for being in unlawful possession of a quantity of clothing. A sampan owner was fined \$20 for concealing the number of his boat and throwing goods into the harbour to avoid seizure.

SPORTING.  
Cricket.  
HONGKONG & UNITED SERVICES.  
On Monday there will be a cricket match on the ground of the Hongkong Club between Hongkong and a United Services XI. The match will commence at 10.30 a.m.

Hongkong Tennis League.  
The Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Tennis League will be held in the Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion this afternoon at 6 p.m.

All clubs wishing to enter are invited to send representatives to the meeting.

FESTIVAL OF EMPIRE.  
Over 300 Buildings Being Erected at Crystal Palace.

Everything in connection with the preparation of the Festival of Empire, the Pageant of London, and the All-British Exhibition of Arts and Industries, is progressing most favourably, and there is not the slightest question that this is going to be the most wonderful and successful series of exhibitions ever organised in the old country.

Every day finds some new wonder introduced; every day sees an increased demand by British Manufacturers for space in the grand old building wherein to reveal their products. Already nearly 600 stands have been arranged for. Some of the Sections of the Industrial Exhibition are full, but in others there is still room for enterprising demonstrations which will at once be attractive and educational. One may form some idea of the vastness of this Industrial Exhibition when one knows that the Palace itself is nearly 30 acres in extent, and has over a mile of wide galleries.

Sir George Frampton, B.A., with the Earl of Plymouth and others prominently associated with the Festival, have decided upon a scheme of decoration for the interior of the building. It was no easy matter to fix upon the best methods of adorning the many bays, because the Palace is an engineering triumph rather than an architectural triumph.

The announcement of the fact that King George V. will, in celebration of his Coronation, entertain 100,000 children at the Festival of Empire on June 30th, has done much this week to draw public attention to this colossal work of patriotism and philanthropy. At the same time it will come as a surprise to most people to learn that the Council of the Festival of Empire is erecting in all over 300 structures on the 250 acres of ground, ranging from the 270,000 Ozonae Parliament Buildings to decorative kiosks.

The painting of that 800 yards of the Palace which faces the grounds is proceeding apace at the hands of 300 daring decorators who look like flies as they crawl about the dizzy heights of the great glasshouse front.

The colour chosen is two shades of French grey, and every piece of wood and iron work has to be cleaned before its two coats of colour are put on, while all the glass work has also to be cleaned, certainly the biggest window cleaning contract on record.

The four large ornamental basins which stand amid the lawns of the main terrace are to be retained, and the fountain arrangements have been overhauled by Mr. G. W. H. Harris, A.R.C.S.E. He found the old arrangements to be wonderfully good, and few alterations will be necessary, though a centrifugal pump, driven by electricity, is to be installed in order to effect an economy in the water used. An effect on a economy in the water used. An effect on a economy in the water used.

Mr. Harris has also in hand the arrangements for fire prevention. A mile and a half of new water main has been laid down in order to feed 50 hydrants in various parts of the ground. There will be a permanent fire brigade of 25 men, while 200 other attendants will be specially trained, and everybody on duty in the place will be instructed in the use of the hydrant, and four special kinds of extinguishers. Moreover day and night men will be on duty to keep the keenest eye on the scenery and pavilions.

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TWO NOTABLE DEATHS. (From Our Own Correspondent.)

—LONDON, March 22. Memories are revived by two public announcements this week. At Glendale Lodge, Wash. Common, Newbury, there has just died Robert Morrison, aged 85, son of the late Rev. Dr. Morrison of China.

The other is the passing of General Sir Alfred Gaselee from the list for active service. There are few officers of the same period with so much experience as Sir Alfred. His heaviest work was done in India from the time when he first took part in the campaign against the Jowaki Afriids away back in the sixties. In 1897 he won distinction by commanding a brigade in the Afriid campaign and later all will remember how he won the admiration of Count Walderssee by the way he manoeuvred the advance guard of the Indian and British troops that covered the advance of the allied forces in China. When told that Sir Alfred was a simple brigade commander in India the Count said "If Great Britain is so rich in capable generals that she can afford to permit a man like Gaselee to occupy so trivial a command as a brigade she possesses a finer supply of military leaders than any other European Power. If we had such a man in the German army he would quickly be made one of the principal officers of the General Staff."

The General's last command was that of the Northern Army in India. Many expected to see him succeed Lord Kitchener when that officer retired from the office of Commander-in-Chief, but the War Office saw otherwise and once more the people wondered. At King Edward's Coronation one of the groups that rounded the loudest cheering was made up of Lord Roberts, Lord Kitchener and Sir Alfred Gaselee, three distinguished soldiers fresh from command of armies in the field.

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